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GEORGIAN REVOLUTION.

SOVIET DENIES REPORTS.

DELEGATION TO GENEVA.

TWO CONFLICTING STORIES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, September 16.

The Soviet Embassy in London declares that the Georgian reports of the revolution in Trans-Caucasia, cabled earlier, are absolutely untrue.

Georgia and the Caucasus are generally quiet. All that happened was a series of raids on small towns in East Georgia, on August 29, by small bands of brigands.

These were led by dispossessed nobles or Tsarist officers; the affair was planned by the so-called Georgian Independence Committee, composed of ex-nobles financed from abroad.

The bands everywhere were dispersed by the local forces within 48 hours.

The peasants and workers opposed the adventure, the leaders of which issued a manifesto, on September 4, calling upon their supporters to lay down their arms.

OTHER SIDE OF SHIELD.

GENEVA, September 16.

A special Georgian delegation to Geneva reports that the anti-Bolshevik rising is now general in the Caucasus. An important tunnel at Souran on the Tiflis-Batum line has been blown up and the Bolshevik troops are retreating in disorder. A provisional Georgian Government has been established at Kutais and general mobilisation decreed. The movement is regarded here as more than a mere rising and is considered to be a war of independence on the part of Georgia and Azerbaijan.

In Paris it is believed that the Soviet troops command only the country round Batum and that their only hope of reoccupying the interior will be to land reinforcements at Batum and attack the region behind, but it is believed that the troops are not properly equipped and therefore the Georgians, by blowing up the Souran tunnel, have cut the only railway giving access to the interior from Batum. A Berlin message to the Georgian Legation states that three notorious members of the Cheka, Peters, Pankratoff, and a Chinaman named Li, have been sent to Batum with unlimited powers to suppress the revolt in the most severe manner.

INTERNATIONAL POLO.

ANOTHER AMERICAN VICTORY.

RUMOURS OF FRICTION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

MEADOWBROOK, September 16.

In the second game for the international polo cup, played here to-day, the American team defeated the British by 14 goals to 5.

Colonel Phipps-Hornby replaced Mr. Hurdall in the British team.

RUMOURS OF DISSENSION.

The dropping of Mr. Hurdall in to-day's test match, caused considerable surprise.

The change has revived rumours of dissension among the members of the team, which were brought to a head by the departure of Lord Wimborne on Saturday.

While the members of the team have always stoutly denied that there has been dissension, Mr. Hurdall, in an interview for a New York paper, says he does not mind being put off the team; but considers it a high-handed procedure for other members of the committee to change the team without consulting him.

He has cabled his views on the matter to England. He is greatly put out over the whole business.

Similar things have been happening ever since the British team started practice for the international matches, months ago.

Mr. Hurdall said that many, including himself, had been blamed for the numerous disagreements and for the weakness of the British team.

AN UPHILL FIGHT.

There were 25,000 people present, including the Prince of Wales.

The British, four showed unexpectedly sound team-work and led at the end of the first chukker by 2 goals to 1.

But the Americans got into their stride in the second chukker and scored three goals. There was no scoring in the third, but at the end of the fourth chukker the Americans led by 8-2.

The British started the second half with a bold attack and scored, but the Americans continued to widen the score to the end.

MOTOR TRAGEDY.

SIX MEN KILLED.

FATAL VISIT TO SQUADRON.

(Reuter's American Service.)

St. Johns, September 16.

A terrible tragedy overtook a party of motorists returning from a visit to the special service Squadron to-day.

A motor-car driven by the son of Sir William Reid, President of the Newfoundland Railway, ran into and instantly killed two Canadian officers, belonging to the War Veterans' Association, as they were attempting to board a bus.

The motor-car was overturned and the four occupants, including two British naval officers (Lieut-Commander Denys O'Callaghan and Lieutenant Burrows) were all thrown out and killed on the spot.

PEACE PACT.

COVENANT OF THE LEAGUE.

PENALTIES FOR BREACHES.

ARBITRATION AND DISARMAMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, September 16.

The British and French delegations have agreed to the terms of the protocol as regards the application of penalties for breaches of the Covenant of the League. The outstanding points will be referred to London for approval.

The terms of the protocol were considered to-day by a sub-committee, to whom the Chairman, M. Benes, explained the views of the delegations.

According to an unofficial statement, the protocol is a most important peace pact. It contains ten articles and two appendices in addition to a long preamble, emphasizing the necessity of arbitration and real, general disarmament.

The International Court of The Hague and the Council of the League are designated arbitrators; and arbitration is made compulsory on all signatories when the arbitration is accepted by the parties in dispute.

Commissions of military and civilian experts, nominated by the council of the League, shall immediately proceed to the two countries and organise demilitarised zones to prevent attempts at mobilisation. The document provides for military and economic sanctions, while the Council of the League will appoint a commission to investigate effective means of assuring a blockade immediately the aggressor is determined.

All signatories to the document undertake to participate in a general disarmament conference to be called within a year by the League of Nations.

NETHERLANDS.

FINANCE MINISTER ON BUDGET.

DEFICIT FOR NEXT YEAR.

(Reuter's Service.)

THE HAGUE, September 16.

The Minister of Finance, in a Budget statement in the Second chamber estimated a deficit in 1925 of 20,000,000 florins, which would be wiped out by the passage of bills increasing the customs' tariff and tobacco excise.

The Government's programme included a reduction in expenditure in order to allow lowering certain taxes considered too high for the development of national prosperity; better distribution of burdens between direct and indirect taxation were also contemplated, which would involve the introduction of a luxury tax. The reduction of certain direct taxes adjudged excessive was also under consideration.

IRISH BOUNDARY.

ATTITUDE OF ULSTER.

NO MEMBER FOR COMMISSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, September 16.

The Ulster Cabinet has informed the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, that it will not appoint a representative to the Irish Boundary Commission.

MEETING IN ENGLAND.

The Ulster Cabinet met this morning at Cleeve Court, Streatham-on-Thames, the residence of Sir James Craig, and discussed the Irish boundary question. All the members of the Cabinet were present except Mr. Edward Mervyn Archdale, Minister of Agriculture who remained in Belfast as Minister-in-Charge. It is believed that the Cabinet will reaffirm its decision not to appoint a member to the Boundary Commission whereupon steps will immediately be taken to summon the Imperial Parliament on the 30th.

NOTES ON LIVY.

PROFESSOR FUSCO'S DISCOVERY.

AN OFFICIAL ENQUIRY.

(Reuter's Service.)

ROME, September 16.

Professor Di Martino Fusco, whose recent announcement that he had discovered lost books of Livy in the Ruins monastery at Naples, caused such sensation that the professor disappeared—ostensibly to avoid interruption in his work—to-day appeared in Naples in obedience to an official summons.

He was interrogated by a ministerial commission in the presence of the Prefect of Naples. A semi-official statement declares that what Di Martino discovered were merely notes on books, not books themselves. The enquiry is proceeding.

HOME CRICKET.

CHAMPION COUNTY IS DEFEATED.

WOOLLEY'S FINE SCORE.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, September 16.

At the Oval, the Rest of England XI defeated Yorkshire, the champion county, by an innings and 124 runs.

Yorkshire, in the first innings, scored 166. The Rest replied with 322 for 8 wickets and then declared.

The Yorkshire second innings realised 234. Towards the total of 324, Woolley made 202 and Chapman 74. Together they scored 505 runs in seven minutes at one stage of the partnership.

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ENGLAND'S DEBT TO
PEACEFUL BRIAR.

The briar pipe is undoubtedly a strong factor in the apparently happy ending to the meeting between Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and M. Herriot, and thus deserves its place in world history.

The epigram which described the conversation of Chequers as a pipe-to-pipe talk sticks. In all the picture papers the photograph of the statesmen puffing at their pipes was given pride of place. The pipes became an important diplomatic instrument—as important as protocols and more persuasive than ambassadorial communications.

The game of golf which Mr. Lloyd George and M. Briand played together at Cannes is memorable. But not less memorable is the pipe of peace which the French and the British Prime Ministers enjoyed together.

It may be—who knows?—that the true reason why M. Poincaré could not come to any agreement with them was that he does not smoke a pipe. So far as I know (writes Sisley Huddleston in the "Evening Standard"), M. Herriot is the first French Prime Minister who has, publicly at any rate, essayed the pipe. This is evidence of his closer affinities with the British.

KNOW THE SECRETS.

Nor did he need to be taught how to consume tobacco in a pipe. Before he met Mr. MacDonald he was acquainted with the secrets of packing the pipe, pressing the weed, either too loosely nor too tightly, striking a match even in a high wind on a hillcock, drawing calmly, slowly, and steadily, the bowl supported between finger and thumb.

Although pipe-smoking is not a French pastime, although the cigarette and the cigar are in France recognised de jure, while the pipe is hardly even recognised de facto, there is no resentment against M. Herriot for having adopted an English habit. His case differs from that of M. Briand, because M. Briand acknowledged himself to be the pupil of Mr. Lloyd George, while M. Herriot can boast that he has no British master, and is not humiliating his country by taking lessons from Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

At the same time it must be confessed that the French were hardly prepared to give the pipe such high rank. That it should at a bound have entered the sphere of international politics is somewhat surprising. It required the elections and the democratic victory to bring the plebeian pipe into the portals of the Quai d'Orsay. The pipe at first seemed alien amid the magnificent tapestries of Gobelin, beclouding the painted and gilded ceilings tarnishing the ormolu, and staining the Savonneries carpets.

The revolution has been accomplished: the pipe and the people are triumphant. It has required a succession of statesmen in England to bring about the prospect of a renewed Franco-British entente. Mr. Lloyd George with his cigars failed. M. Briand, with his eternal cigarette, could not achieve the miracle. M. Poincaré, who abstains from tobacco in any form, produced an impression of rigidity and of frigidity, in spite of the pipe-smoking example of Mr. Bonar Law and later of Mr. Baldwin.

Hitherto either the British Prime Minister was pipeless, or the French Prime Minister was pipeless, and sometimes both of them were pipeless. This is the first time that, by a happy conjunction of habits, both the French and the British Prime Ministers have been pipe smokers. Is it necessary to insist on the promising character of this political coincidence?

GENERAL DAWES' PIPE. It should not be forgotten that from the very beginning of this new attempt to settle the reparations problem the pipe has been in evidence. From the moment that General Dawes, the chief of the experts, landed, we began to take heart. Did he not smoke perpetually, even at table, an amazing pipe with an inverted bowl? We were anxiously asking each other, not only whether he would find a solution of the problem, but also how he kept his tobacco from falling out of his queer-shaped pipe.

Since then the pipes have multiplied upon the scene, and diplomacy, whether secret or open, is becoming more and more an affair of pipe manipulation.

With these consoling reflections, with these signs of progress, there is some reason to anticipate that the statesmen will at last succeed in attuning their pipes. Only, in the best—that is to say, in the most literal—sense do we desire the London Conference to end in smoke.

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Convicts' Jealousy.

The experiment of allowing prisoners to receive gifts of fruit at Christmas, which was tried in 1922, was not altogether successful and is not to be repeated, said Mr. Davies, Under-Secretary to the Home Office, in the House of Commons. A great deal of jealousy was caused, he added.

Wembley Burlesque.

The Old Stagers' Epilogue, presented at the Theatre Royal, Canterbury, was "Canterbury Calling, or the British Empire Exhibition." Features of the Wembley Exhibition were parodied, with topical allusions to the Rodeo, Waterloo Bridge, Mah Jongg, American Prohibition, and the Jamboree. The Dominions represented were ultimately brought to Canterbury, where they were played a farcical game of cricket, which ended in confusion, causing Lord Harris to be called from the audience to settle the dispute. Concluding speeches were made by Mrs. W. S. Cornwallis, attended by the whole of the Kent cricket eleven as the Spirit of Kent, Lady Harris as the Spirit of I. Zingari, and Lady Crutchley as the Spirit of the Old Stagers.

Man's Beard.

"I am interested to hear of the confirmation of the death sentence on Vanquier," said a medical man, "because his face has many features in common with that of Landru, whose trial in 1919 was protracted for many months, and became almost a farce in the French courts." Vanquier and Landru both exerted a remarkable influence on women, and conformed to the same type. Both used poison, and were of medium height, with plenty of hair on the face. "Some women—particularly French women," declared our informant, "seem to be fascinated by men of this type. On the other hand, there are many women, English women especially, who are repelled by bearded men." Generally speaking, however, it might be said that the women who find charm in the facial decorations of Vanquier are of the ignorant, primitive kind, and are drawn from the lower strata of society. "My own belief," proceeded the doctor, "is that right through the world to-day the tendency is for sex attraction to go with refined, symmetrical lines rather than with a profusion of beards and moustaches which belonged essentially to old tradition. Notwithstanding this, the fact remains that hairy types continue to exert an unaccountable fascination for many women to-day."

Hat Shop in Yacht.

Deauville gamblers were scarcely asleep and the rest of the people had hardly awakened when a floating hat shop slipped smoothly into Trouville port with the morning tide and, passing the majestic yachts moored in the pool, took up the berth allotted to her close to the roadway at the point where Deauville and Trouville may be said to meet. Flugs flew gaily about the smart awning, and all was bustle aboard when the proprietress, Mme. Regnier, drove down from her hotel to take command. She says that she intends staying there with her yacht hat shop until the end of the month. She has a cargo of novel hats, created especially for the beach, the meadow, and the Casino. The house warming in this floating shop was held one afternoon, when the guests were served with cocktails from a diminutive bar.

It is understood that the cricket team under the aegis of Mr. S. B. Joel will sail for the Cape in the middle of October, and will return to England in March. Mr. Joel will accompany the team in South Africa, and will journey thither in his private yacht. The team is approaching completion, and the announcement of its composition is expected shortly. At present it is believed that it will probably consist of five or six amateurs, including MacBryan and H. L. Day, besides Tennyson as captain, and nine for ten professionals of the calibre of Ernest Tyldesley and Howell. It is considered in South African cricketing circles that the team will be exceptionally strong in view of the requirements of the Australian tour. Mr. A. C. McLaren will be manager of the team. He will not play, but will be available in case of emergency.

Sir J. de Robeck.

Admiral Sir John Michael de Robeck, Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet, will be the next Governor of New Zealand. Viscount Jellicoe's term of office ends in November. One of the last interviews which Mr. J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Colonies, had at the House of Commons, while clearing up outstanding business before his trip to South Africa, was with Sir John de Robeck. While another name has also been under consideration, there is good reason to believe that New Zealand's wishes will be found to have resulted in Sir John's appointment. (This has been confirmed.) He is 62 and commanded the naval force on the Dardanelles during the landing of the Expeditionary Force in 1915. He was appointed Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean in 1919. For his war services he received a number of decorations and the thanks of Parliament, together with a grant of £10,000 and a baronetcy.

MUSSOLINI TRIUMPH.

Rome, July 27.—The publication in the Italian Press to-day of Mr. Lovat Fraser's article on "The Triumph of Mussolini" has created an impression throughout Italy, the importance of which can hardly be over-estimated. Sent throughout Italy, it has reached every Italian newspaper, the large majority of which have published the integral text.

This in itself is an excellent proof of the enormous interest it awakes, because Italian newspapers, which usually only run to four pages, often cannot give even to the most important questions of home politics the amount of space which is to-day given to the "Daily Mail's" article.

The *Nuovo, Paese, Messaggero Epoca, Impero, Corriere d'Italia, and Idea Nazionale* are among the leading papers in Rome alone which publish either the full text or two-column summaries.

The article formed the chief subject of conversation of all sections of the population, the most favourable comment on the "Daily Mail's" courageous defence of Signor Mussolini, at a time when most newspapers find it easier to attack him, being heard on all sides in public places.

STILL THE IDOL.

The overwhelming majority of the Italian people feel deeply grateful at this support of the man who, despite the shouts of a section of the Opposition Press, remains their idol, of whom they are immensely proud.

The importance of the fact that the article appeared in the most widely read newspaper in the world and is the work of such a famous journalist as Mr. Lovat Fraser, whose name is well-known in Italy, is fully appreciated, and it is believed that that portion of the article especially which points out that Signor Mussolini is fighting the battle for all countries threatened by Communism cannot but have a wide influence throughout Europe. The "Daily Mail's" article has inspired General Filaretto to publish in the "Giornale d'Italia" a notable article, entitled in English "Remember," in which he asks Italians to keep constantly in their minds what Fascism has done for them. "This article is all the more remarkable in that the 'Giornale d'Italia' showed signs of wavering from the Fascist cause lately. The writer says: 'It is puerile to create illusions for ourselves. Bolshevism is lifting up its head, again, everywhere. Already the red flag is seen again and the strains of the song of the red flag again reach our ears. If the Fascist organization falls, only the Socialists organization remains intact.'"

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from the 13th September, 1924 until the 23rd September, 1924 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1924.

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1924.

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Hongkong, 16th Sept., 1924.

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and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on Tuesday, the 30th September, 1924, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lt. Col.
Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1924.

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FLAT TRAGEDY.

WIFE AND HUSBAND
DEAD.

London, August 16.—Captain T. J. R. Geddes, a young Indian Army officer on leave, and his wife, Joan, died after being shot in dramatic circumstances in their flat in Gordon-chambers, Jermyn-street, Piccadilly, W.

Near the man's body was found a bloodstained note addressed to "Joan." It read:

Dear Joan,—By the time you receive this note I will have killed myself. I love you more than ever I did. Please don't take this matter to heart.—Roy.

Captain Geddes, according to the Army List, was a D.C. to Sir Frank Sly, Governor of the Central Provinces, India, and both he and his wife were due to return to India by the P. and O. steamer "Mulbera." Soon after 10 a.m., a shot was heard and Mrs. Geddes rushed from her room on the second floor of Gordon-chambers and told the wife of the steward of the flats that Captain Geddes had shot himself.

The woman tried to comfort her, but Mrs. Geddes, saying repeatedly, "Leave me alone," went back to her room.

A second revolver shot was heard, and when the steward of the flats with two doctors and police entered they found Captain Geddes dead in the bathroom and his wife, with a bullet wound in her head, unconscious near the fire-place in the sitting room.

A revolver with two spent cartridges and one live one was in the room. It is assumed that Mrs. Geddes picked up the weapon—a large-calibre service revolver—when, on rushing into the bathroom she found her husband shot in the head.

Husband and wife were taken to Charing Cross Hospital. There, despite all efforts made by the house surgeon, Mrs. Geddes remained unconscious and, died at 12.40 p.m.

In Captain Geddes's coat pocket was found a letter from his mother, who lives in Rutlandshire.

Captain Geddes's leave was from March until this week. Since he and his wife had been in England they led an active social life, spending money freely.

BULLDOGS THAT WAITED.

When the special train for Tilbury left Liverpool-street Station with passengers for the P. & O. liner "Mulbera" there were left on the platform in crates two bulldogs. These bulldogs belonged to Captain Geddes, who bought them in February last from Major J. E. Power, of Beauchamp-place, S.W. Major Power said to a "Daily Mail" reporter:

"After buying the dogs from me in February, Captain Geddes and his wife went down to Somerset and Somerset Stag-hounds. They returned to London on June 25 and since then had been in the habit of taking the dogs every morning for a walk in Hyde Park. This was really their honeymoon, for they married in India only a year ago.

"They were a most affectionate couple, and when I saw Captain Geddes yesterday he seemed cheerful. Talking about India, however, with him, I gathered the impression that he was not looking forward to returning there."

Captain Geddes, who was aged 25, passed into the Indian Army in 1917 from Quetta Cadet School, Baluchistan, then the Sandhurst of India. He was appointed to the 14th Prince of Wales's Own Scinde Force.

He was tall, slim, and handsome, and, according to his friends, looked more like a sailor than a soldier. Mrs. Geddes, who was 23, was fair-haired and very pretty. She was the daughter of a colonel now in India.

At the inquest a verdict was returned that Captain and Mrs. Geddes died from gunshot wounds in the head, self-inflicted, and that they killed themselves while of unsound mind.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

All the passengers in two of the air expresses from Paris to London were women.

Carnarvonshire has been granted permission to raise the school age from 14 to 15 years.

The Scottish herring-fishing season now in progress gives promise of being the best for years.

Mr. C. W. Tidman, chief clerk, West Hartlepool County Court, is retiring after 50 years' service at Middlesbrough and West Hartlepool.

At the sheep-dog trials at Llangollen, Denbighshire, the Cambrian Stakes, open to the world, was won by "Jock," owned by Mr. Thorp, of Derwent, Sheffield.

On three charges of stealing from Middlesbrough churches William John Michael, 33, labourer was committed for trial at the quarter sessions.

A woman's watch and chain and a sovereign have been received towards the Liverpool Cathedral gold fund, and recent cheques include one for £100.

Northumberland County Council decided to adopt the Libraries Act and commence a rural library system, for which the Carnegie Trust is giving an initial grant.

In spite of location by X-rays a shilling, lodged in the throat of Mary Green, a Manchester child of seven, could not be removed, and she died from lacerations of the throat.

The Kent County Council approved a scheme costing £400,000 for improving the main road between Maidstone and Folkestone, with by-passes at Lenham, Charing, and Ashford.

At Hedon Police Court, Herbert Bernard Nash, cashier, Hull, who gave notice of appeal, was committed to prison for twenty-one days for being drunk in charge of a motor-car.

John Nelson, a plumber, aged 70, who dropped down dead in the street at Blyth, Northumberland, had not raised the window-blinds of his house since his wife died 15 years ago.

Elizabeth Milligan, who admitted that she approached some women shouting "Who's for battle?" and struck one on the head with a bottle, was sent to prison for 60 days at Glasgow.

At Whitchurch cheese fair the official report states there was a pluck of 80 tons of Cheshire cheese and a sharp trade, the finest lots bringing 9/4d. to 9/4 per lb., and special lots 10d. per lb.

While on a practice flight at Digby aerodrome, Lincolnshire, Pilot Officer Geoffrey Sewell Hall was killed. He was flying a Bristol Fighter aeroplane, which crashed after stalling in turning.

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WAR IN CHINA.

BALANCE OF POWER APPARENTLY INFLUENCED BY ENTRY OF ANHUI INTO CONFLICT.

KIANGSU STOCK NOW RISING.

Further Heavy Fighting.

Reports to-day contain further news of heavy fighting in the neighbourhood of Shanghai. Kiangsu appear to have intended a big offensive last night, but though the sound of firing was heard in Shanghai early in the evening, it died away by 11 p.m. Chekiang now has Anhui and Fukien ranged against her, but neither appear particularly formidable.

Kiangsu Stock Rises.

To-day, our correspondent, who is well-acquainted with the country in which the fighting near Shanghai is going on, writes:—Kiangsu stock has risen as the result of yesterday afternoon's and to-day's telegrams.

Yesterday, surprise was expressed at the non-continuation of the thing seige and the answer to the riddle is forthcoming from the announcement of Anhui's entry into the war on the side of the Peking party. An army of 8,000 rifles would threaten the flank of the Chekiang line of attack on vulnerable Kiangsu to such an extent as to cause a change of plans in Chekiang—but the strength would have to be at least 40,000 to make an appreciable effect on the campaign. Still, the three mixed brigades have turned the Chekiang offensive into a defensive movement.

Anhui's timely action has created a third front in the present war, which for the time being may be called the southerly front; should fighting break out on the Chekiang-Fukien border then the battle-line there could be designated the Fukien front. Until Chekiang disposes of Anhui, things directly in line of a march into the heart of Kiangsu will not be in danger and there will be little or no fighting on the western front or on the shores of the Taihu Lake until Kiangsu, in turn, takes up the offensive.

As remarked yesterday, rapid change in the scene of action has been one of the characteristics of the war. Yesterday, Chekiang threatened to break through on their left wing and centre, on the eastern front. To-day it looks as if they are on the defensive all along the line, and being attacked heavily on their right wing.

The entry of air-fighters may make a material, but not a deciding, difference in the campaign. As a result of the fighting now reported, there is hardly any change in the battle-line; but Kiangsu's offensive gives the impression that Marshal Chi Hsiang-yuan, the pro-Peking leader, is feeling his strength as the result of help from other provinces; or he is doing his best to convince Wu Pei-fu that his cause is worth supporting.

Russian Pilot Protest.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, September 17. A message from Peking states that in response to Dr. Wellington Koo's request to impose restrictions on Russians working as pilots of flying machines for Marshal Chang Tso-lin, M. Karakhan says that the Russians in question are "Whites" and not under the jurisdiction of the Soviet.

Protection for Foreigners.

The British and American Ministers at Peking have sent another Note to the Waichiaoou (Foreign Ministry) regarding the prohibition of foreigners from travelling through the four provinces of Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhui and Kiangsi. The Note states that the prohibited area is too large and the Chinese Government must be responsible, despite the fact that there is fighting in those provinces.

Kiangsu's General Attack.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, September 17. There was desultory fighting yesterday along the Eastern front, from Liuhuo to Hwangtu.

It developed into a general attack by the Kiangsu forces shortly after 7 p.m. The Kiangsu Army opened the action with heavy artillery fire.

A Chekiang communiqué claims that Marshal Lu Yang-hsiang's troops repulsed the attack along the whole front without losing any ground.

The sound of firing was distinctly heard in some parts of the Settlement at dinner-time, but died down about 11 p.m.

It is reported that the "Nanking Navy" (Kiangsu, pro-Peking) actively participated in the bombardment of Liuhuo yesterday.

Border skirmishes. The attack launched by the up two more mixed brigades.

SHOOTING FATALITY.

LAICHIKOK AFFAIR.

FINDING OF JURY.

Shot by an Indian constable, while in the execution of his duty, was the verdict returned by the jury, Messrs. P. C. Mow Fung (Chairman), I. W. Shaw and C. L. Gillingham, at the enquiry held before Mr. J. W. Hamilton, Coroner, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, regarding the death of 'Joe Choi, an earth cooler, who, walking along the Laichikok Road during the early hours of August 12, was shot by an Indian constable when he attempted to resist a search.

At yesterday's sitting the Captain Superintendent of Police, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, was called to give evidence regarding general instructions issued to the police about shooting.

Prior to the C.S.P.'s testimony, Sub-Inspector Hutchins produced written copies of the instructions. These stated that the police are permitted to shoot: (a) If a man draws a weapon with the obvious intention of resisting arrest or search; (b) If a man suspected of a crime of violence or unlawful possession of arms resists arrest or search and such resistance cannot be overcome by other means; (c) If a man suspected of having committed a robbery runs away or cannot otherwise be arrested.

Witness was of the opinion that under section (c) the Indian was justified in shooting. The C.S.P. said that those instructions were correct as issued by him. Before being passed by the Colonial Secretary they were first seen by the Attorney General.

Witness said that apart from the story of the man being armed with a revolver, the Indian was, in his opinion, quite justified in shooting. In answer to the Jury, witness said that in consequence of the nature of the crime in that particular vicinity and the seriousness of the instructions, the villagers had been informed of them some considerable time ago, but not recently.

Mrs. M. Cox, daughter of Mrs. M. Blake, of the Carlton Hotel, arrived in the Colony in the "Patroclus" with her three children, for a holiday.

A party of Americans were going through the parks and gardens of Warwick Castle. A lady of the party lingered behind to admire the gorgeous peacocks.

Do those birds ever drop any of their tail feathers? she asked of a gardener who stood by.

He looked at her, lowered his voice, and replied: "They're obstinate beasts, miss, but they drop 'em heavy at the sight of a shillin'."

Chekiang Falls Back.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, September 16. No Chekiang troops are within several miles of Hing. Chekiang, under cover of intermittent bombardment, evacuated key positions including the exposed heights which overlook part of the town and then fell back rapidly across the (Kiangsu-Chekiang or Taihu Lake?) border.

Yesterday's Cables.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, September 16. The London Marine Insurance Underwriters have notified cancellation of war risk in open covers and policies which include voyages to Chinese ports. This is in accordance with a provision of a clause in the policies. Current war insurance to China is about one-eighth per cent, with institute of cargo clauses, or one per cent, with a clause which extends cover for a month after arrival in warehouse.

Mukden Messages.

Mukden, September 16. Chang Tso-lin issued a proclamation on the 16th, announcing his intention to fight against President Tso Kun himself. He had decided to proceed to Chinchow where he will assume command of all the forces, a part of which are reported to have crossed the frontier in the direction of Chao-yang.

Chang Tso-lin's troops, having crossed the frontier at Chao-yang an early clash is expected. Chang has telegraphed to President Tso Kun an enumeration of Wu Pei-fu's crimes which must be brought to justice and added, "The Your Excellency is surrounded by Wu Pei-fu's traitors I will send aeroplanes to enquire after your health and to ask if you are still at liberty."

Entry Of Anhui.

Shanghai, September 16. Anhui troops are attacking in Northern Chekiang, according to a Chinese Red Cross telegram received yesterday from Wu Pei-fu, which states that "hostilities have broken out on the border between Anhui and Chekiang."

CANTON SITUATION.

INTERESTING VIEWS OF MERCHANT.

DR. SUN'S MOTIVE.

Some startling allegations about Dr. Sun Yat-sen and the Canton Government are made by a Chinese gentleman who moves in the best-informed circles in Canton but who, for obvious reasons, does not wish his identity to be disclosed. Our informant has no interests—other than commercial at stake—as he is connected with business in Hongkong. That he is well qualified to speak, there is no doubt, as he has spent all his time in Hongkong or Canton since his return from an English college education.

That Dr. Sun is not fleeing, that there is not even the most remote chance of the Northern Expedition coming off and that Dr. Sun has only left Canton because of his inability to carry out the terms of the general strike settlement and is keeping "out of the way" for a little while, was the gist of the remarks made to a "China Mail" reporter by this gentleman. He said that Dr. Sun's latest manifesto, in which he commits the government of the province to the people, is just another move in the same old game. Popular opinion had become too strong for the Generalissimo, especially when the projected bombardment of Sai Kwan became known. Coupled with the pressure exerted by the Yunnanese generals when Dr. Sun failed to hand over the Volunteer arms, it was thought that a temporary retreat from the seat of government would serve the best interests.

War A God-send.

Accordingly, our informant continued, the Shanghai War was a god-send. Dr. Sun could make an excuse for going to some out of the way place and he could also test the loyalty of his mercenaries by asking them to join a campaign to the North. But the "old man's" action was misinterpreted by the younger 'of the Kuomintang satellites, who are known in the anti-Sun press as the Tai Teze (Princely) section of the party. This included his own son, Mayor Sun Fo, Commissioner of Police Wu Te-chen and others. Their reported leaving is attributed to apprehension of a crisis which might result in their being bottled up. To-day the Yuen Lo (meaning senior, loyal and conveying the sense of dignified statesmen) section is in power; the most prominent of which are Wu Han-min, chief counsellor of State, and Liu Chung-oi, civil governor, both with professed Bolshevik tendencies and apostles of the nationalisation of property.

Sai Kwan Incident.

None of these changes has affected the dominating strength of the Yunnanese contingent, now holding the trump cards in Canton. According to our informant, it was not the proximity of British guns alone that saved Sai Kwan; the Yunnanese general is believed to have hinted that he would protect and openly side with his patrons, meaning the merchants of Canton. The Yunnanese army derives nearly all its revenue from the Canton merchants and monopolists; chaos would mean stoppage of income. They have made it their business to sell to their clientele the protection the latter need and as long as they remain in power they will make militarism a branch of commerce.

The "Hay" Arms.

His information, our informant continued, was that the Yunnanese were doing all they could to return the "Hay" arms in full. Should any part of the shipment have gone astray, they would negotiate to get it back rather than disappoint their clients; it is not expected that another general strike will ensue.

Not being as favourably placed, the Hunanese and Honanese armies are spoiling for a fight, but as they have never enjoyed the bulk of the revenue, they have not been able to obtain the munitions of war.

Although Chan Kwang-ming's allies are again active, the East

NAVAL FUNERAL.

IMPRESSIONS SERVICE AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of the late Lieut. Commander Newbold, whose sudden death took place on Sunday after only a few weeks' residence in the Colony, took place yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley Cemetery. A large number of naval officers and representatives of the Army and the Hongkong Government were present.

In accordance with request the remains had been cremated and these, contained in a small oaken casket, were conveyed from the Naval Hospital to the last resting place on a gun carriage drawn by a gun's crew from H.M.S. "Ambrose." The casket was covered by a Union Jack, surmounted by the deceased's sword and cocked hat. The gun-carriage was escorted by eight Naval Officers of the Submarine Flotilla and Commander Bowers, H.M.S. "Ambrose," followed as chief mourner. Then followed a cortege of Naval Officers and an official party of 250 sailors and marines (carrying wreaths) drawn from ships in port.

The burial service was conducted by the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle (Senior Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral). Amongst those noticed at the graveside were: Sir Claud Severn (Colonial Secretary), Commodore H. E. Grace, Surg.-Capt. Burniston, Colonel C. Russell Brown (Acting-G.O.C.), Lieut.-Comdr. Cresswell, Lieut. Comdr. R. E. Worthington, Mr. H. Owen Hughes and Mr. H. B. Keenahan.

Just prior to the commencement of the service Mrs. Newbold, accompanied by Surg.-Captain Burniston, R.N., arrived and was present throughout the service. After the casket had been lowered into the grave by means of white silken ribbons, three volleys were fired by a firing party of 24 naval ratings from H.M.S. "Ambrose" and the "Last Post" was sounded. A naval guard of 24 men from the submarines was also present.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—Mrs. A. C. Newbold (wife), Sir Claud and Lady Severn, Commodore and the Misses Grace, the acting General Officer Commanding the Troops and his staff, Officers of H.M. Submarine L5, Wadsworth Officers "Ambrose," Wadsworth Officers "Tamar," Captain and Wadsworth Officers "Hollyhock," S.N.O. and Officers of West River Flotilla, Officers Royal Artillery, Hongkong, Lieut.-Colonel Bird and Officers of Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, Navy League, Warrant Officers Submarine Flotilla, Chief Petty Officers and E.R.A.'s Reserve Submarines, Submarine Petty (2), Seamen "A" Group Submarine, Seamen "B" Group Submarines, E.R.A.'s "Ambrose," Ship's Company "Tamar," Chief Constructor's Department, Surg.-Captain and Mrs. H. Burniston, Comdr. C. E. Brook, Surg.-Lieut.-Comdr. and Mrs. H. W. Fitzroy Williams, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Rev. A. J. and Mrs. Stearn, and Mrs. W. S. Marsh.

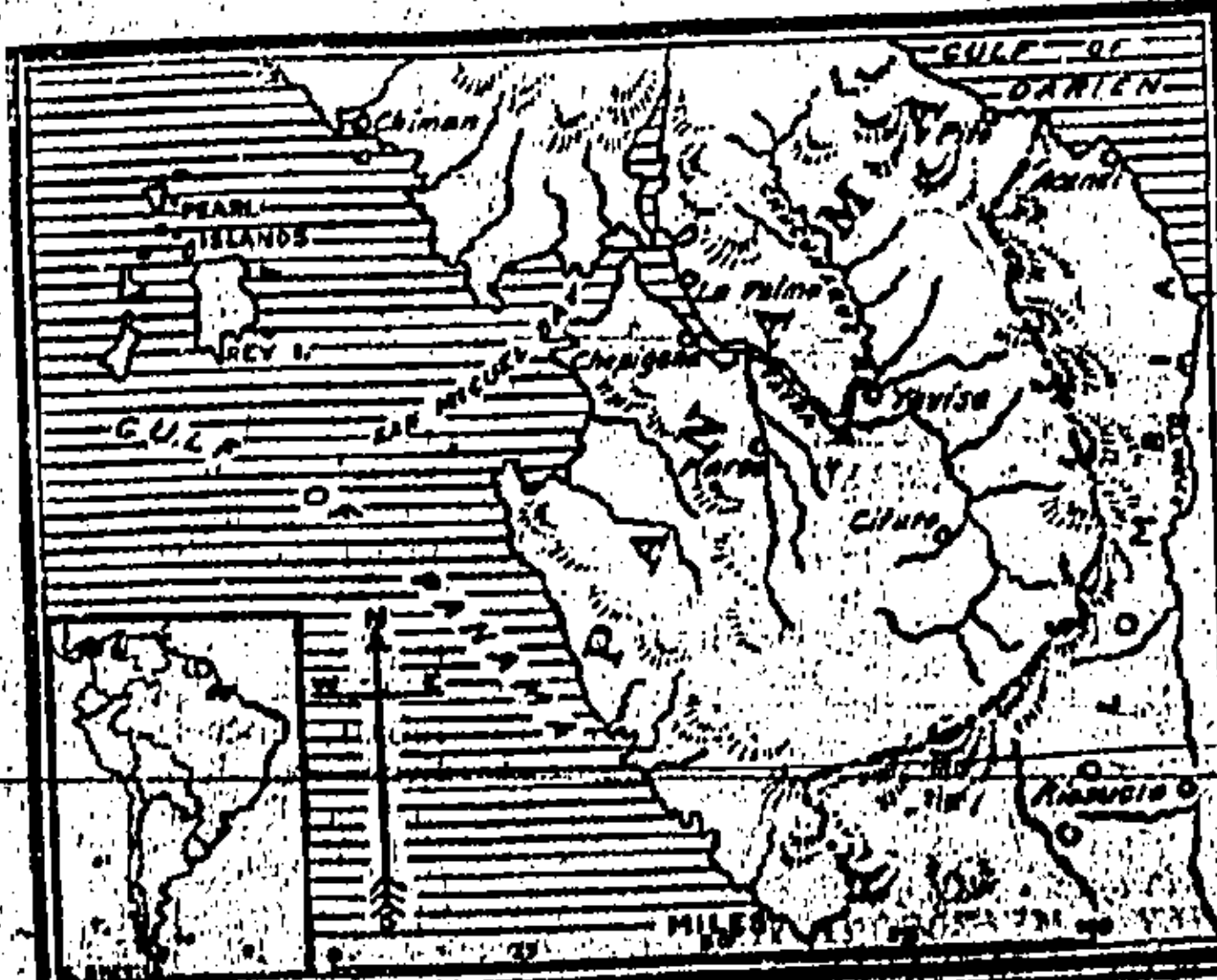
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River situation has had no effect on Canton. It is felt that Chan himself will make a bid for Cheung Chow, near the Fukien border, and leave Canton alone for the time being.

WHERE BLACK IS WHITE.



WHITE INDIANS FOUND—Proceeding from San Miguel Bay up the Taitung River in Yunnan as a supply base, a Smithsonian expedition has penetrated to the headwaters of the Hsueh-chang, where a tribe of white Indians has been discovered. Tracks of them are coming to New York.

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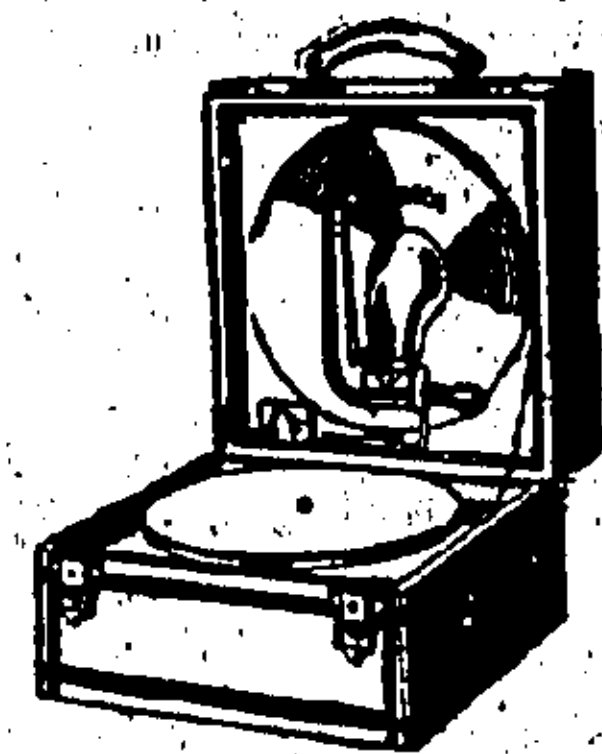
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FLOODS IN NORTH.
RELIEF MEASURES.

Peking, Sept. 9.—Straightening out the flood channel to the west of the Wu Ting Ho to carry the mountain torrents from the north-west directly into the main river below the city is one of the measures recommended to prevent a repetition of the disastrous flood of July 13 in Kalgan by Mr. O. J. Todd, engineer of the China International Famine Relief Commission. Mr. Todd in his report to the Commission also recommended that the old stone bridge be replaced by a steel structure of two spans of 80 feet each in order not to restrict the flow of any possible flood waters. A wall built from the east end of the bridge on the left bank of the river would also straighten the channel through the city.

On his recent inspection trip to Kalgan, Mr. Todd found that the Taoyin was doing splendid work with his soldiers and police in clearing up the debris and removing the sand and silt from the city streets. In some places this was eight or ten feet deep. An additional freshet on August first had carried boulders estimated to weigh 1,000 pounds one or two miles down from the foot hills into the main streets of the city.

So frequent are floods that in certain neighbourhoods, the merchants keep on hand special planks, well fitted together to make a water tight compartment four-feet-high in front of their shops. They hold themselves ready at all times to put up these barricades and re-enforce them with sand bags to save their stocks.

Mr. Todd confirms previous reports of the great loss of life and millions of property damage caused by the flood there this summer when the river suddenly broke through the dyke and swept over a flat area inhabited by about five thousand people living in mud huts. It is estimated that three thousand of these people were drowned or buried in the debris of their houses. The old stone bridge served as a dam to the flood waters due to the silting up of the channel and the large proportion of space taken up by the piers and masonry work forming the arches.

\$4,000 in the form of grain was sent to Kalgan by the Commission. From among the refugees, 200 heads of families were recruited to do work in repairing the damage to the streets of the city. But the local authorities have handled the situation so well, bringing the military to the work of reconstruction, that the Commission at present are carrying on no further relief work there.

Mr. Todd's chief recommendation in regard to the situation in the Paoingfu region would be the granting of further funds on the part of the Provincial government for the upkeep of the dykes. Chihli has appropriated \$500 yearly for the upkeep of some 250 li of dykes in this region. Each section has raised further funds and contributed labour, but the provisions have been inadequate.

It was felt at the time of Mr. Todd's inspection trip that it would be necessary to make further investigations in late September or early October in order to ascertain what portion of the population would be able to return to their farms this year and what portion of the remaining population would be available for construction work.

MOROCCO.

INTENTION OF SPAIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, September 16. The Spanish withdrawal from positions on the Wadiah line in Morocco, reported on the 15th, seems to indicate that General Primo de Rivera has been able to execute the policy of establishing lines closer to Spanish bases, to which the military party objected. It is officially announced from Madrid that the situation in the Spanish zone has greatly improved and the rumours that part of the zone will be evacuated, or that Spain will abandon any international pact to which she has expressly agreed is denied.

SHIP SEIZED.

SUSPICIOUS CARGO OF ARMS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Durban, September 16. Customs authorities, searching the tramp steamer "Nordmark," from Hamburg, discovered a thousand rifles, a large quantity of ammunition and a number of machine-guns. There was nothing in the ship's papers to indicate the nature of the cargo, which, it is supposed, was intended for China. The vessel was placed under armed guard and taken to Copenagpen.

STABBING CASE.
ATTACK ON CHINESE DOCTOR.

ACCUSED COMMITTED.

The case in which two Chinese men were charged on remand with cutting and wounding one Mak Kwok-sang, a Chinese doctor, on July 3, on the hillside at Sai-wan-ho, was resumed at the Central Magistracy before Mr. R. E. Lind-sell, yesterday afternoon.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy prosecuted and Mr. D. McCallum appeared for the defence.

Dr. W. L. Patterson, of the Government Civil Hospital, stated that about noon on July 3, he attended the complainant Mak Kwok-sang. He was suffering from two superficial wounds, 1 inch in length, just below the left side of the chest; there were also several small wounds on the face, which might have been caused by a small sharp instrument. Complainant remained in hospital for treatment for six days. He could not say whether the cut on the cigarette holder was caused by a chisel or a dagger.

Dr. E. P. Minett, of the Government Bacteriological Institute, stated that on September 2 he received a chisel from Detective-Inspector Earner for examination. He could not detect any trace of blood on it.

After further evidence both defendants were committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions to be held on October 18.

INDIAN OPIUM.

VIEW OF SWETTENHAM.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, September 16. In a letter to the "Times" Sir Frank Swettenham, dealing with Sir John Jordan's proposal for the gradual reduction of the export of opium from India and the consumption in Far Eastern territories of the Powers at the rate of ten per cent. a year for a decade, says that if this advice were accepted and enforced it would put an end to the production of prepared opium in India and its consumption in the Straits, Malay States, and Hongkong but what about China which is producing fifteen thousand tons of opium yearly or nine-tenths of the total world's production? If Sir John Jordan's suggestion were accepted and enforced what is to prevent China from producing a few more tons to replace it? Is not the Opium Advisory Committee straining at a gnat while swallowing a camel?

NETHERLANDS.

PARLIAMENT OPENS.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Hague, September 16. Parliament has reassembled. In her speech from the throne, the Queen said that they hoped they had seen the end of the economic crisis. A slight improvement in commerce and industry was already perceptible, and there were good prospects of the improvement of the country's finances. If the financial measures awaiting the sanction of Parliament were approved the budget would balance in 1925.

Relations with foreign countries were of the most friendly nature. Bills would be introduced dealing with the fleet, the tax on luxuries, and the reduction of certain direct taxes. A bill would be prepared providing for workers' national health and accident insurance.

The financial situation in the Netherlands Indies was improving. Estimates for the Indies would be accompanied by proposals for certain alterations in the present fiscal régime.

GERMANY.

QUESTION OF WAR-GUILT SETTLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, September 16. The Cabinet to-day did not discuss the question of formal repudiation of Germany's war guilt, postponing decision till Herr Ebert's return from holiday. It is officially announced that after long conversation between Herr Marx and Herr Stresemann, no difference existed between them on the question.

Herr Marx's reply, "Germany," says that it is increasingly apparent that the repudiation of Germany's war guilt will aggravate the political situation, and it therefore may be taken for granted that the Cabinet on Thursday will solve the question of formally notifying said repudiation until a proposition has been received from the question.

K. F. C.

ANNUAL MEETING ON FRIDAY.

LAST YEAR'S ACHIEVEMENTS.

In St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Friday evening, the annual meeting of the Kowloon Football Club will be held.

The following is the report to be put before the meeting.

Finance.—The profit made on the working of the Club for the past twelve months was \$1,130.63. This is largely due to the decision of your Committee to take over the Bar and run same as a Club concern, instead of leasing same out to a Chinese "boy," as in previous years.

Membership.—A large increase in membership has taken place during the past 12 months. The number of members on the books of the Club on August 31, 1924, were 220, as against 137 members twelve months previously. The Committee record with deep regret the deaths of Messrs. R. Hutchison, P. Shaw and E. Wright.

Clubhouse.—Since the last annual meeting, the Clubhouse has been completed, and cost of same has been paid off. Several improvements have recently been effected thereto and the question of fitting hot water showers in the dressing room is now under consideration. The Club are indebted to the generosity of three members for the gift of an overhead fan for the Clubhouse.

Football.—Teams were entered in both divisions of the Hongkong League, but did not finish amongst the leaders. The senior XI reached the final of the Hongkong Shield for the second consecutive year, but had to rest content with being runners up, being beaten 1-3, by the East Surveys in the final game. Records for the season in League and Shield matches were:

	P. W. D. L.	Goals for.	Goals against.
First XI	25 10 6 9	28	27
Second XI	16 7 3 6	25	22

For the first time in the Club's history a stand was erected for spectators. The stand was well patronised and fully justified its erection.

The usual annual dinner took place at the Hongkong Hotel at the end of the season and was a great success.

A supper dance at the Hongkong Hotel and an open air concert on the Football ground, were two very enjoyable social functions held during the year. Several open air Band Concerts under the auspices of the Kowloon Residents' Association have taken place on our ground during the summer months.

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Hongkong, 17th Sept., 1924.

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MR. SUN FO IN MESSAGE TO PEOPLE.

The Mayor of Canton, Mr. Sun-fo, son of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, has retired. In a final proclamation he says:

Nearly four years have elapsed since the inauguration of the Canton Municipal Government in the 10th year of the Republic (1921) and during this period I have been twice appointed Mayor and have served as such for over three years. In this proclamation which informs the citizens of Canton that I am about to be relieved of duty from the office of Mayor, I consider it appropriate to avail myself of the occasion to make a general survey of the Municipal Administration for the past few years and to express my hopes for the Municipality in the years to come.

Municipal administration being the system of local self-government, involves very deeply the immediate interests of the community. Having long been left unpromoted, the pursuit of municipal government was regarded by the people with indifference.

The Canton Municipal Directorate, established in the 7th year of the Republic (1918), began the great work of the demolition of the city wall and the widening of streets. At that time, owing to some inconveniences unavoidable in the course of the demolition of the city wall, the widening of streets, the filling in of creeks and the like, strong opposition was raised by the people. But their shortsightedness is now self-evident and a recollection of the past incidents only brings us to the realization of the folly of the opposition in those days.

Charter Granted.

In the Spring of the 10th year of the Republic (1921) I assumed the responsibility of organizing the municipal administration under a charter drafted along the lines of commission government. When first introduced, as is usually the case with every social and political reform, this new administration was adversely criticized as being too elaborate. Inaugurated at a time when internal strife—the return of the Cantonese Army from Fukien—had barely ceased, the Municipality experienced extreme difficulties in raising funds to initiate essential improvements for the city. Hence the first municipal budget showed a deficit exceeding one million dollars, and for a time it seemed almost impossible to overcome the financial difficulties. But, fortunately the situation improved as the year went on, and the first year of municipal government closed with a remarkable record of street widening, sanitary improvements, a better police force and more public schools. Canton had even won the reputation both at home and abroad as the model city of China. More remarkable still is when the coup d'état of June, 1922, took place upsetting everything in the government, there was left in the municipal treasury a cash balance of more than a million dollars. Unfortunately, the Chen Chiung-ming rebellion created a state of anarchy and brought on an interruption to the municipal administration for a period of eight months.

The Interregnum.

On my return to Canton early in the 12th year of the Republic (1923) when Chen Chiung-ming was expelled by the allied forces, it was found that every essential function in the municipal administration had ceased and the city was in a deplorable state of confusion. Not until after I had resumed office for two months were the essential public services restored and the city returned to normalcy. This fact the public might not have yet forgotten.

Then came the insurrection last year, when, military operations took place right in the outskirts of the city, it fell to the lot of the municipality to do its part in raising funds for military use. Under such circumstances the municipal government was forced to resort to public lands, even though the measure was known to be unpopular. But the public must eventually appreciate the difficult position of the municipal government in its struggle to maintain order in the city through a period of disturbance.

Millions For Military.

The Canton Municipality, from April, 1923, to June, 1924, had contributed to the military funds a sum not less than ten million dollars. As a consequence there was hardly sufficient money available for municipal improvement purposes, the administration could only maintain the essential services of the city during the troubled period.

Notwithstanding all the adverse circumstances under which I, as Mayor, had to struggle during the past few years, it is now safe to say that the Municipal Administration in Canton has been securely established, and the people at large are taking more and more interest in it. The demand for municipal autonomy has already become a growing movement, and the more the people become enlightened to this movement the easier will be the task for future municipal improvement.

Popular Election.

According to the Provisional Charter of the City of Canton, the present administration was to remain in office for a term of five years. His Excellency, the Generalissimo, in view of the pending Northern Expedition and for the purpose of awakening the people to their responsibility of government in a democracy, has now ordered that the municipal government of Canton be handed over to its citizens who will choose their own Mayor by election. As I have been appointed to another mission at a distant place and am on the eve of my departure, I only wish my successor will be chosen at an early date so that I may be relieved of my duty. It is my sincere and earnest hope that my fellow citizens will henceforth regard as their own affairs the problems of the city administration and will co-operate for its advancement. What little has been accomplished in the past, should be retained, while at the same time promoting new improvements. This, I hope, will lead to true municipal home-rule in the near future.

(Sgd.) SUN FO,

Mayor of Canton.
Canton Municipality,
Mayor's Office,
12th September, 1924.

TUAN CHI-JUI.

A VARIED CAREER.

Tuan Chi-jui, of Anhwei, is a graduate of the Peiyang Military School. He was Yuan Shih-kai's chief military adviser while he was Viceroy of Chihli. He was Brigade-General in Fukien in 1906. Deputy Lieutenant-General of the Chinese Bordered Yellow Banner in October, 1907, and the General Commander of the Sixth Division of the Luchun, in December, 1909. He was also Commander-in-Chief of Kiangpoh in December, 1910. He was in a large measure responsible for the reorganization upon modern lines of the Northern Army, and after Yuan Shih-kai accepted the Premiership in November, 1911, he succeeded him as Viceroy of the Hukuhg Provinces. On the recall of Baron Feng Kuo-chang, General Tuan took command of the First Army. He was one of the most prominent of the military commanders who signed the memorial to the Throne at the end of January, urging the Emperor to abdicate. On the formation of the first Republican Cabinet, he was elected Minister of War, and was given the rank of General (Shang Chiang), on September 7, 1912. Field-Marshal, in 1916, and Chief

of the Headquarter's Staff the same year. He was Acting Premier on May 1, 1913, to July 19, 1913. He was made Acting Tutuh of Hupeh (during the Vice-President's absence in Peking), on December 10, 1913 and Chiang-chun and Acting Governor of Fengtien. In 1914 he was the Minister of War, but was granted sick leave on June 1, 1915. In May, 1916, Tuan Chi-jui was appointed Premier and charged with the formation of a responsible Cabinet but was dismissed by Li Yuan-hung in May, 1917; he however, resumed office in July after the failure of Chang Hsun's monarchical coup d'état but resigned on October, 1918. Attempting to rescue the Anfu Club, he organized without authority an army, called by himself the Ting Kuo-chun, and personally directed it to oppose the combined march of Chihli and Fengtien forces on Peking in 1920. In 1922, he retired and now resides in Tientsin.

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DUTCH TENDERS ACCEPTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Shell Transport Company has accepted Dutch tenders for six oil tankers. Three each will be built at Amsterdam and Rotterdam. The ships will be of new type, single-screw Diesel driven motor ships. Their total cost will exceed £1,200,000. Only British steel may be used, and no German machinery will be permitted. It is stated that every British firm was invited to tender, but the prices in all cases were thousands above the Dutch, despite the fact that the British tenders set out all profits and reduced establishment charges to a minimum.

LINEN TRADE.

The Irish Linen Society, writing under date of August 13, report: "Flax.—The warmer weather has improved the appearance of the new fresh crop, but it is still very variable, as some districts have suffered more than others from the excessive wet and cold weather. On the Continent, flax is in full swing, and very little flax is being offered at the moment. Prices are very firm for any flax marketed."

Yarns.—A satisfactory amount of new business has been put through during the past two weeks. Prices of all descriptions are strong with a decided higher tendency in finer counts of West Limes. Spinners are in such a position that unless they can see their way in raw material all offers are turned down. Tow yarns are also very strong and in good demand for dress linens.

Weavers.—There is no special feature to report this week. Dress goods are still in demand, and fair sized orders have been placed with manufacturers for next season's requirements.

Sorting up orders have also been placed for the ordinary line of goods but in small quantities, as merchants are not anxious to book too far ahead, at the price ruling to-day.

Merchants.—Very little change since last report. Housekeeping goods are quiet on account of holidays. Some good business has been done in Cambric and Sheer piece goods for forward delivery. Warehouses are busy with shipments of Fall orders.

Dress Linens.—Some further important business for coloured dress linens has been arranged for various markets, both in direct sales and via or via direct dyed goods.

Novelty fabric in stripes, checks and fancy weaves are in demand for next season, and fair results have been obtained on the new styles at present being offered.

The continued advance in yarns makes business difficult.

JAVA SUGAR TRADE.

EXTENSIONS PREDICTED IN NEAR FUTURE.

Penang, Sept. 10.—The extension of the sugar industry in Java, says the "Pinnang Gazette," in spite of the fact that large productions are predicted from the area already under cane, is likely to be undertaken in the near future. The Dutch authorities strictly control the entry of new sugar concerns into the field, and a big company which proposed to build five new factories had to be satisfied with a compromise, which permitted the immediate erection of one factory and the grant of an option for two more. The policy maintained is that of reserving the economic balance of the island by preventing the displacement of existing rice culture by sugar cane crops, and the areas in which the options have been given are those where there is virgin soil. Other firms are conducting surveys with the view of discovering new tracts of land suitable for cane. A feature of the history of the industry in Java during the present year, according to a trade report, is the final disappearance of transport by canal in one district. Up to the end of last year, one factory had a fleet of sixty flat-bottomed boats for carrying the cane to the factory. In the rainy season this involved delay, as the boats were often held up at bridges, through which they were unable to pass owing to the height of the water, and deterioration of the cane resulted. So, in order to save time and ensure the reception of cane in a satisfactory condition, the factories have now gone to the expense of building railroads for cane transport.

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CHARTER-PARTY AWARD.

REASONABLE CANCELLING DATE.

London, August 11.—An interesting question on a charter-party was considered by Mr. Justice Rawliff in the King's Bench Division, when his lordship had before him a special case stated by an arbitrator for the opinion of the court. The case concerned the steamer "Bessa," owned by Den Norske Afrika O.G. Australia Line, and chartered by the Port Said Salt Association, Limited.

Mr. Nelson, K.C., and Mr. Clement Davies appeared for the owners of the vessel, and Mr. Robert Aske for the charterers. Mr. Nelson said his clients were the owners of the steamer "Bessa," and in May, 1918, they entered into a charter-party with the Port Said Salt Association, Ltd., in respect of a voyage from Port Said to Colombo. And the terms of the charter-party were that if the ship gave notice of readiness after the cancelling date, the charterers had the option to say they would not load.

The question that arose was the matter of something like a day and a half. At that time ships were worth about £400 a day. The ship went from Calcutta to Port Said for the purpose of taking a cargo, and when she arrived at Port Said there was a fire, and repairs became necessary, which caused a delay, and the cancelling date had passed before notice of readiness was given.

OWNERS LOST £600. Notice of readiness was duly given by the captain, and the reply was not received till nearly two days had expired. There was then delivered an answer from the charterers, saying that they did not propose to load—they put off the charter. The result of this was that the day and a bit was lost. The arbitrator found that the notice of cancellation dated August 21, 1918, was not given in reasonable time under all the circumstances, and that the owners did not suffer any damage by the failure of the charterers to load. The owners had lost some £600.

Counsel contended that the notice was not given in a reasonable time, that there was a breach of contract, and that the owners were entitled to damages. Mr. Robert Aske said his clients never contracted to give a cancelling notice. Further, he contended that there was no delay, and therefore no breach of contract.

A CURIOUS POINT. His Lordship, in giving judgment, said:—In this case the point is certainly a curious one, and arises in this way. The ship arrived at Port Said and was not ready to load owing to a fire till after the cancelling date. After the passing of that date the charterers, who wanted to cancel the charter-party, ought to have given notice of readiness to load, and they delayed for the period of a day and a half. They were detaining the ship during that day and a half, without her or cancelling her.

Now the shipowners ask to be paid for that detention, and I think the justice of the case is this. After they chartered it they cancelled it, and the time lost cannot be merged with lay-days; and the shipowners reply at once "Your cancelling is late, we must charge demurrage for a day and a half." The shipowners did not waive their claim to demurrage for a day and a half, but the question is whether they waived it in point of law. I do not see why they waived it in point of law. They accepted the cancellation, but do not anticipate it. Under these circumstances the cancellation should have been given before. I therefore think that that point falls.

A BIGGER PROFIT. There is another point taken. It is said having got the ship free, the shipowners made good use of her, getting a much better voyage than they would have got if the charter had been carried through, and that the charterer is entitled to credit for that. I do not know whether the notice to cancel was strictly accepted or treated as a repudiation of the contract.

Does what the shipowner did afterwards make any difference? If he had made a loss it would have been his loss. How does the circumstances of what he was able to do get rid of the damage for detaining the ship for a day and a half. If in the ordinary course the ship arrives and gives notice of ready to load, and then after a delay there is no cargo forthcoming and she goes away and there is repudiation, and she then makes a profit, why was the shipowner not entitled to say "I have made a profit, and I may have made a bigger profit?" Therefore I think that the award ought to be affirmed in the sense that judgment should be for the shipowner for £600.

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R.G.A. PROPAGANDIST FROM HOME.

MAJOR KNOX'S PLANS.

Singapore, September 10.—Major Knox, the propagandist appointed by the Rubber Growers' Association to direct their propaganda work in the East, arrived at Singapore by the "Patriot" yesterday evening.

The first announcement of this appointment was made at the I. S. F. conference at Kuala Lumpur some time ago by Sir George Maxwell, who stated that the F.M.S. Government had agreed to contribute £200,000 a year for three years to the R.G.A. for their propaganda work.

Half of that sum, the Chief Secretary stated, would be spent out here under the direction of a local committee, which would have a whole-time propagandist at work. This propagandist would conduct the publicity side of the work, and he would also travel in the huge markets of India and China.

In conversation with a "Strait Times" representative this morning, Major Knox said that he would work under the direction of the local committee of the R.G.A. He is travelling up to Kuala Lumpur to-night, and until he has reported to the committee, he is unable to make any definite statement as to the programme which he will carry out.

Major Knox said that he expected the cordial support of every resident in Malaya in his work. He would like to see everyone asking himself how he could use rubber in his home or office.

The best propagandist for rubber was the man who was actually living out here, said Major Knox, and he commented on the fact that there was nothing to show strangers arriving in Singapore that this was the greatest rubber port in the world.

Rubber and its uses should be everywhere in evidence, in the foot-wear of the people, in the hotels, in the offices and in the houses. Singapore should demonstrate in striking fashion to the people who pass the port the innumerable uses to which rubber can be put.

Questioned as to the R.G.A. propaganda work at home and in America, Major Knox said that it was having excellent results. The Secretary of the R.G.A. visited America early in the year, and the fruits of the campaign there were very gratifying.

The manufacturing interests in Great Britain, Major Knox added, were evincing sympathetic interest in the propaganda work of the R.G.A., and any opposition that came from the boot and shoe traders had completely disappeared. Now it was clear that the crepe sole had come to stay. "You see the crepe sole in general use in London to-day," Major Knox remarked.

Major Knox is an Australian, and has travelled extensively in Europe, India, and Africa, in connection with business interests. This is not his first visit to Malaya, as he was here in 1919, and, although he has never been a practical planter, he has always been in touch with the rubber industry.

Since the Armistice he has travelled all over Europe, and just before he was appointed to this post by the R.G.A. he had spent considerable time in the Balkans on business.

It is interesting to mention that his brother, Mr. R. W. Knox, of Melbourne, is the representative of the Federation of British Industries there, and also the chairman of British Chamber of Manufacturers of Australasia.

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"GHOST" PLANES.

UNDER CONTROL OF WIRELESS.

A new pilotless aeroplane that can be sent over enemy territory hundreds of miles away, steered and operated by wireless power for bomb-dropping purposes, has been developed by the French army experts, says the Paris correspondent of the "Morning Post," to such an extent that it will, according to its inventors, render long range guns as obsolete as bows and arrows.

The new machine has been designed and constructed by Captain Max Boucher, in association with M. Maurice Percheron and de Marcy. Some remarkable facts concerning it have been stated by General Hirschauer, who was head of the French Aviation Department during the War. He said:—

"With the new type of aeroplane we have now developed, it is possible to drop bombs practically on any given spot in spite of counter-air force. In the event of another war squadrons of these machines, loaded with bombs, could be despatched from points hundreds of miles from their objectives. They could be steered with perfect reliability either from the rear or by an airman on another machine or from wireless stations, and could be made to drop their bombs or to land at any chosen point, independent of the presence of any pilot in them. These 'ghost aeroplanes,' as they have been nicknamed, will undoubtedly prove to be the most terrifying features of the next conflict."

French inventors have now completely solved the problem of the automatic action of the aeroplane and the control of its engines by wireless. The pilot is replaced by a mechanical apparatus, capable of directing wireless power on to a given button, according to whether it is desired that the aeroplane shall rise higher, turn in any given direction, drop to a lower level, or come to the ground. Equilibrium is assured by gyroscopes. If the engine power falls a special apparatus automatically brings the aeroplane safely to earth. Barometrical and electrical appliances are fitted to the new type of aeroplane for the purpose of keeping it under control when out of sight. The machine can also be made to rise to any given altitude and remain there.

The points which are now being closely studied are chiefly connected with the "order keyboard," which, instead of being in the aeroplane, as at present, remains on the ground, whence the machine is controlled by wireless. Our experts are also studying the conditions of flight at high altitudes, with a view to enabling the new machine to cross enemy territory at incredible heights and speed, in defiance of gunfire.

In further conversation, General Hirschauer insisted that French Air Forces are really not as strong as the published figures suggest. There are not more than 1,300 aeroplanes, and most of them are of the pre-Armistice types, he said.

It is probable that the weapon described as a "ghost aeroplane" is identical with that referred to in a message from the Paris correspondent of the "Daily Mail," who writes that recently French laboratory work, followed by the construction of large "flying bombs," as they are called, has produced machines with wings in which engines and controls can be operated efficiently by wireless. These are balanced automatically by gyroscopes.

These new flying bombs can ascend from the ground and after reaching a predetermined height maintain that altitude in horizontal flight, or they can be carried by transport type aeroplanes launched in mid-air.

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Marshal Lyautey, famous French soldier, chief architect of the French-African Empire and Resident General of French Morocco, is to quit that country after many years. He was the chief instrument of the French policy of pacification there. Under his direction the country has prospered wonderfully. Now at 70, he will hand over the country to a civil administrator.



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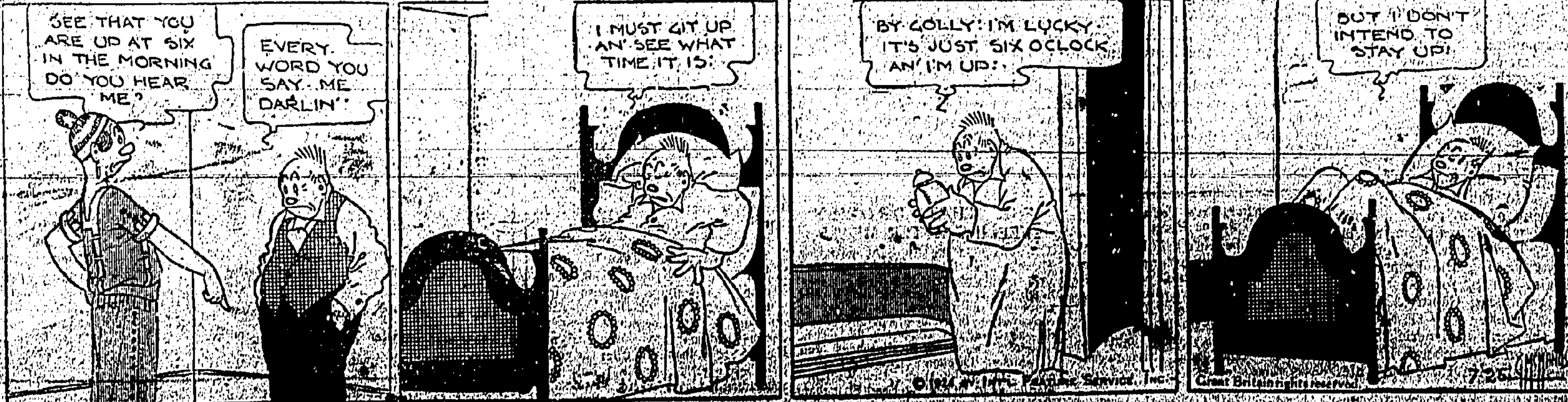
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WEATHER REPORT.

September 17d. 11h. 00m.—Pressure has increased slightly to moderately at the majority of reporting stations.

The depression to the S. W. of Nagasaki is filling up slowly. The anticyclone over N. China has strengthened slightly.

Hongkong: rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., to-day, 0.03 inch. Total since January 1st, 86.12 inches, against an average of 71.80 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on September 18, 1924.

1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh.

2.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, E. winds, moderate; overcast with rain at first, improving later.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, E. winds, moderate; overcast with rain at first, improving later.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, E. winds, moderate; overcast with rain at first, improving later.

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DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

SEPTEMBER 17, 1924.—a.m.

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